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Docket No.: CI -0004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

David M. MANN, Wilson BURGESS, William N. DROHAN,
Yuri GRIKO and Martin J. MACPHEE

Serial No.: 09/942,938

Group Art Unit: 1614

Confirm. No.: 8959

Examiner: Unassigned

Filed: August 31, 2001

For: METHODS FOR STERILIZING PREPARATIONS OF DIGESTIVE ENZYMES

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Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and/or Reply in the above identified application.

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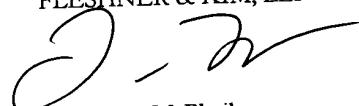
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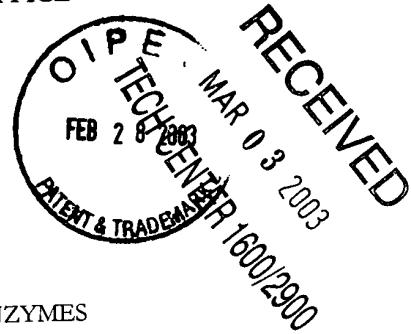
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application

as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

A. Please amend claims 6, 7, 9-21, 23-37, 39-40, 42, 44, and 47-58 as follows:

Amended Claims With Mark-ups to Show Changes Made

6. (Amended) [A] The method [for sterilizing a preparation of one or more digestive enzymes that is sensitive to radiation, said method comprising:] according to claim 5, wherein
said[

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